

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph on page 30, lines 18 to 29, with the following paragraph:

The C-terminal Scc1p cleavage fragment was isolated from cells that contained Scc1p tagged with 18 tandem myc epitopes at the C-terminus. A Cdc20 arrest/release strategy was employed to obtain cells containing a high portion of Scc1p in the cleaved form. Protein extract of 5×10^9 cells was prepared by breakage with glass beads 15 min after release from the metaphase arrest. ~~myc-epitope~~ Myc-epitope tagged protein was immunoprecipitated with 20 mg anti-myc 9E11 monoclonal antibody under denaturing conditions and resolved on SDS-PAGE next to size markers. Proteins were transferred to a PVDF membrane and stained with Coomassie Brilliant Blue R250. N-terminal sequencing of the band corresponding to the Scc1p cleavage fragment yielded the amino acid sequence RLGESIM (SEQ ID NO: 4) (Scc1p amino acid 269 onwards).